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1. I MET WITH AMBASSADOR ADDOU ON JULY 4 AND AGAIN PRIOR HIS DEPARTU
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FOR WASHINGTON VIA ROME JULY 6. WE REVIEWED HIS PERCEPTION OF CURREN
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SITUATION IN HORN. FOLLOWING MAJOR POINTS EMERGED; (ALL REFERENCES T
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ADDOU'S HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF ANMIMITY EXISTING BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND
SOMALIA AND JEASONS WHY SOMALIA OPTED FOR QTE SELECTED UNQTE
USE CERTAIN ASPECTS SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM APPLICABLE SOMALIS'S

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DEVELOPMENT ARE BEING OMITTED):
PA. SAMANTAR'S VISIT TO MOSCOW - CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND POLITBURO
HAVE STUDIED RESULTS FIRST VICE PRESIDENT AND DEFENSE MINISSR
SAMANTAR'S MEETINGS WITH BREZHNEV. SAMANTAR CHARACTERIZED MEETING
AS VOLATILE AND TOTALLY LACKING RESPECT FOR SDR/USSR TLUATY
FRIENDSHIP. IN SUM SAMANTAR TOLD THAT RUSSIA PURSUES ITS OWN
INTERESTS AS IT PERCEIVES THEM. IN CASE SOMALIA, PRESIDENT SIAD

(AND GOVT) HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED JOIN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISTIC CONSOLIDATION IN HORN. UNFORTUNATELY, SOMALIA'S CONCEPT ITS NATIONALISM PRECLUDE AGREEMENT. CONSEQUENTLY SOMALIA AT LIBERTY CHOOSE ITS OWN DIRECTION IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SHOULD IT DIFFER FROM RUSSIA, SO BE IT. ADDOU SAID SIAD, POLITIBURO AND CENTRAL COMMITTEE CONVINCED MOSCOW HAS NOW CONCLUDED THAT ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION IS COMPARABLE IN EVERY ASPECT TO RUSSIA'S 1917 REVOLUTION AND USSR CONVINCED ETHIOPIA HAS ACCEPTED RUSSIAN MODEL INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM.

B. WAR CLOUDS OVER HORN - AT AIRPORT JULY 6 ADDOU TOLD ME HE SPENT TWO HOURS WITH SAMANTAR LATE JULY 5 DISCUSSING SOMALIA'S DEFENSIVE WEAPON REQUIREMENTS FROM US AND/OR ITS ALLIES WHICH MUST BE AIRLIFTED ASAP THUS ENABLING SOMALIA DEFEND ITSELF AGAINST QTE IMMINENT UNQTE ETHIOPIAN ATTACK AGAINST WSLF FORCES IN OGADEN AND INVASION OF SOMALIA. AIM OF LATTER IS OCCUPATION AND CONTROL OF INSTALLATIONS IN BERBERA AND BELET WYEN. ADDOU SAID FOREGOING BASED SOMALIA'S INTELLIGENCE (HE REFUSED DIVULGE DETAILS). SIAD AND GOVT CONVINCED ACCURACY OF INTELLIGENCE. I ASKED WHETHER PRESIDENT OR GOVT CONSIDERING OPTIONS AVAILABLE DEFUSE SITUATION. ADDOU SAID APPROPRIATE

OFFICIALS HAD STUDIED POSSIBLE ACTIONS IN OAU AND THE UN AS WELL AS INTERCESSIONS WITH FRIENDLY POWERS. THEY CONCLUDED THAT CURRENT SITUATION BEYOND POSSIBILITY MEDIATION BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR NRIENDLY POWERS.

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C. MILITARY EQUIPMENT - ADDOU WAS HARD-PRESSED PERMIT ME MORE THAN GLANCE AT SHOPPING LIST HE CARRRYING (SEVERAL SOMALI AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS PRESENT). NEVERTHELESS, LIST INDICATES GOVT ASKING FOR PISTOLS, RIFLES (SEMI AUTOMATIC AND AUTOMATIC), LIGHT AND HEAVY MACHINE GUNS, SMALL, YEMEDIUM AND HEAVY MORTARS, RECOILLESS RIFLES, ANTI-TANK WEAPONS AND A MIND BOGGLING QUANTITY OF AMMUNITIONS, VARIETY FIELD COMMUNUKATIMRS GEAR, TRUCKS, MEDICAOUSUPPLIES, TENTS, WATER, PETROL AND AMBULANCE VEHICLES.

D. DISSIDENTS - SPEAKING PERSONALLY TOLD ADDOU I WAS TROUBLED BY WHAT APPEARED BE STRONG ELEMENTS WITHIN AND -- PERHAPS WITHOUT -- GOVT WHICH MAY BE CONTROLLED BY USSR. ADDOU SAID MY EVALUATION ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. HOWEVER, WITHIN LAST 18 MONTHS SIAD HAD SYSTEMATICALLY PLACED MAREHAN TRIBESMEN IN ALL MILITARY AND CIVIL POSITIONS WITHIN SOMALIA. SIAD IN SUM WELL AWARE POSSIBILITY DISSIDENT UPRISING BUT CONVINCED HE FIRMLY IN CONTROL; CONSEQUENTLY THERE WILL NOT BE A SUCCESSFUL COUP AGAINST GOVT.

E. PRESENCE OF ISRAELI PLANES IN ETHIOPIA - ADDOU CONFIRMED WHAT MOHAMED SCERIF, ACTING DG OF FONMIN, TOLD ME YESTERDAY THAT SOMALIA HAS VERIFIED REPORT OF THE PRESENCE OF SQUIJSRON OF FRENCH

MIRAGE AIRCRAFT. (FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAS SIMILAR REPORT FROM PARIS INDICATING SOURCE AS PRESIDENT SADAT THROUGH SOMALI AMBASSADOR SAMANTAR IN PARTY) -- HE CHECKING THIS OUT WITH PARIS.

2. COMMENTAC QUICK REVIEW OF SITUATION WITH WESTERN COLLEAGUES MOGADISCIO CONVINCES ME THAT THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF EXXAGERATION IN SOMALI GOVT CONCERNING IMINENCE OF ATTACK AGAINST OGADEN OR SOMALI TERRITORY. HOWEVER, IT CAN NOT BE DENIED THAT THERE ARE INCREASING REPORTS OF HOSTILITIES BOTY BY ETHIOPIAN AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN HARGEISA AND BIDAO AREAS. AT PRESUNE TIME, WE UNABLE TO VERIFY REPORTSHWHAT EPMG HAS DECIDED MOVE AGAINST SOMALIA. THAT ETHIOPIA PREPARING INVADE SOMALIA NOW APPEARS QUESTIONABLE. WATCH-ING SITUATION CAREFULLY; WILL ATTEMPT FURTHER ANALYSIS AS FACTS (NOT RUMORS) ARE OBTAINED.

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